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Mr. Joseph Macri, NSA Bethesda Public Affairs Office 8901 Wisconsin Avenue Bethesda, Maryland 20889

Subject: Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Medical Facilities Development and University Expansion, Navel Support, Bethesda, Montgomery County, Maryland (CEQ # 20130211)

Dear Mr. Macri:

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and the Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR 1500-1508), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the above referenced FEIS. In our October 26, 2012 review letter of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, we rated the environmental impacts of the proposed action as LO (Lack of Objections). Based on our review of the subject document we have no objection to the project.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Kevin Magerr, staff contact, at (215) 814-5724.

Sincerely,

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